ior, from the standpoint of morphological advancement, in the Invertebrates and the Lower Vertebrates; and still superior, but in less degree, in the higher Vertebrates. This is certainly the opposite of the view of most naturalists, but to my mind there can be no other inference from the facts.

University of Texas, September 22, 1904.

## Stated Meeting, October 21, 1904.

President Smith in the Chair.

The death was announced, at Philadelphia, of Rev. Jesse Y. Burk, on October 18, aet. 64.

Dr. George T. Moore, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, read a paper on "A New Method for the Purification of Water Supplies."

## Stated Meeting, November 4, 1904.

President SMITH in the Chair.

The death was announced of the Marquis de Nadaillac, at Château de Rougemont, St. Jean Froidmentel (Loir-et-Cher), on October 1, 1904, aet. 87.

The following papers were read:

"The Behavior of the Lowest Organisms," by Dr. Herbert S. Jennings.

"Electrolytic Calcium," by Joseph H. Goodwin.

## Stated Meeting, November 18, 1904.

President SMITH in the Chair.

The death was announced, at Bethlehem, Pa., on November 16, of Dr. Thomas M. Drown, aet. 62.

Prof. Bailey Willis, of the Carnegie Institution, read a paper entitled "By Courtesy through China."